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SUBJECT: PORTUGUESE ACCESS TO CLASSIFIED INFORMATION

REF: USNATO 5046 (NOTAL)

1. MISSION HAS OBTAINED A COPY OF (A) NOTE FOR FILE AND (B) DRAFT
TERMS OF REFERENCE FOR THE NATO SECURITY TEAM TO BE ISSUED BY
SECRETARY GENERAL ON SEPTEMBER 24. DOCUMENTS ARE QUOTED BELOW:

(A) NOTE FOR FILE. BEGIN QUOTE. 23RD SEPTEMBER 1974. AT 3PM
TODAY, THE SECRETARY GNERAL APPROVED DRAFT INSTRUCTIONS FOR THE
DIRECTOR OF SECURITY AND HIS SECURITY TEAM'S REVIEW OF THE SECURITY
SITUATION IN PORTUGAL AS IT AFFECTS NATO. THESE INSTRUCTIONS WILL
BE ISSUED TOMMORROW.

2. LATER IN THE AFTERNOON, THE SECRETARY GENERAL DISCUSSED THIS
MATTER WITH DE FREITAS CRUZ, NEW PORTUGUESE PERMANENT REPRESENTATIVE
TO NATO.

3. AT 5.30PM AMBASSADOR DE FREITAS CRUZ DISCUSSED THE TEAM
VISIT WITH ME MAKING THE FOLLOWING POINTS:

(A) THE SECRETARY OF SATE OF THE PORTUGUESE FOREIGN
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OFFICE AND THE HIERARCHY OF THE PORTUGUESE GOVERNMENT ARE CONCERNED
WITH AND RELUCTANT TO ALLOW THE SECURITY TEAM VISIT TO PORTUGAL.
THE VISIT IS VIEWED AS AN INDICATION OF MISTRUST BY NATO NATIONS
OF THE CURRENT PORTUGUESE GOVERNMENT.

(B) HOWEVER, BECAUSE OF THE INSISTENCE BY THE SECRETARY GENERAL AND DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL THAT THE SECURITY REVIEW TAKE PLACE, AND ON THE INDICATION THAT THE UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT WOULD NOT BE REPRESENTED ON THE TEAM, THE PORTUGUESE GOVERNMENT HAS ACCEPTED THAT THE TEAM PROCEED TO PORTUGAL.

(C) WHILE VOLUNTARILY ACKNOWLEDGING THAT PORTUGAL'S REPLY TO THE SECRETARY GENERAL'S TEAM REVIEW PROPOSAL WAS OVER TWO MONTHS IN COMING, THE AMBASSADOR URGED THAT THE REVIEW TAKE PLACE THIS WEEK; HIS REASONS FOR THE URGENCY WERE:

(I) PORTUGAL MUST HAVE CURRENT ACCESS TO NPG DOCUMENTS WHICH ARE NOT BEING PROVIDED TO PORTUGAL PENDING THE RESULTS OF THE SECURITY REVIEW. THIS MATTER MUST BE RESOLVED IMMEDIATELY BECAUSE PORTUGAL FULLY INTENDS TO PARTICIPATE AT THE NPG MEETING IN NOVEMBER, AND ITS STAFF REQUIRES CURRENT ACCESS TO NPG DOCUMENTS. IT WOULD BE "MOST EMBARRASSING" TO PORTUGAL IF IT COULD NOT PARTICIPATE FULLY ON THE NPG.

(II) THE TEMPORARY ARRANGEMENT WHEREBY NO CLASSIFIED DOCUMENTS ARE BEING SENT TO PORTUGAL MUST BE CORRECTED AS SOON AS POSSIBLE.

(D) HE STATED THAT BASED ON HIS OWN INQUIRIES AT LISBON, HE WAS CONVINCED THAT THE SECURITY REVIEW TEAM WOULD EASILY CONCLUDE THAT PORTUGAL IS ABLE TO, DOES AND WILL CONTINUE TO PROTECT NATO CLASSIFIED INFORMATION STRICTLY IN ACCORDANCE WITH NATO SECURITY REGULATIONS.

(E) HE SPECIFIED THAT THE CHIEF OF THE GENERAL STAFF, GENERAL COSTA GOMEZ, WOULD PERSONALLY RECEIVE ME AND THE TEAM TO PROVIDE ALL ASSURANCES AND ANSWERS REQUIRED. COSTA GOMEZ WILL PROVE CONCLUSIVELY THAT NATO "DOCUMENTS" GO TO ONLY CERTAIN PEOPLE WHO ARE TRUSTED BY THE NEW GOVERNMENT AND ARE FULLY SECURITY CLEARED, AND

(F) ALTHOUGH GENERAL HOMEM DE FIGUEREDO, THE NATIONAL
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SECURITY AUTHORITY, HAS RECENTLY RETIRED, THE OFFICE IS STAFFED AND FUNCTIONING. A NEW NSA WILL BE APPOINTED SOON.

(NOTE: IN A PRIVATE TELEPHONE CALL TO ME LAST WEEK, THE RETIRED NSA'S CHIEF STAFF OFFICER INFORMED ME THAT HE HEARD OF MY UPCOMING REVIEW, AND THAT HE MUST SEE ME PRIVATELY WHILE I AM IN LISBON TO BRIEF ME FULLY ON THE DEPLORABLE STATE OF SECURITY IN LISBON.)

4. I REPLIED TO AMBASSADOR DE FREITAS CRUZ THAT I WILL BE UNDER MISSION INSTRUCTIONS BY THE SECRETARY GENERAL AND THAT I WILL CARRY THESE OUT. AS REGARDS TIMING, I POINTED OUT THAT 8TH OCTOBER WOULD BE MY TARGET DATE BECAUSE OF A SECURITY COMMITTEE MEETING ON 1 AND 2 OCTOBER, AND A HIGH-LEVEL INSPECTION OF NATO SECURITY MATTERS FROM 3-7 OCTOBER. IN SPITE OF THESE FACTORS, THE AMBASSADOR URGED STRONGLY THAT THE REVIEW IN PORTUGAL TAKE PLACE THIS WEEK ON

GENERAL GROUNDS BUT ESPECIALLY BECAUSE OF THEIR URGENT REQUIREMENT TO HAVE ACCESS TO NPG DOCUMENTS IN PREPARATION FOR THE NPG MEETING. I TOLD HIM THAT HE COULD EXPECT MY ANSWER TOMORROW MORNING.

5. LATER THIS AFTERNOON, I MET WITH DEPTUY SECRETARY GENERAL PANSA, DIRECTEUR DU CABINET VAN CAMPEN AND HIS DEPUTY LISSFELT. THE FOLLOWING TRANPIRED:

(A) I SUMMARIZED MY DISCUSSION WITH AMBASSADOR DE FREITAS CRUZ;

(B) I BRIEFED THEM ON GENERAL LINES OF MY KNOWLEDGE OF THE CURRENT WEAK AND UNCO-ORDINATED STATE OF GENERAL SECURITY IN THE PORTUGUESE NATIONAL GOVERNMENT AS WELL AS THE SOLID INROADS BEING MADE BY COMMUNIST TEAMS AT THE LOCAL LEVELS OF GOVERNMENT.

(NOTE: RELAIABLE SOURCE INFORMATION FIRST HAND BY A POLITICALLY SEASONED OBSERVER ON THE SCENE);

(C) I POINTED OUT MY PREFERENCE FOR 8TH OCTOBER AS THE START OF THE TEAM REVIEW;

(D) PANSA STATED REPEATEDLY THAT MY TASK WAS IMPOSSIBLE;

(E) PANSA RECOMMENDED THAT I GO THIS WEEK EVEN IF THE REVIEW COULD NOT BE COMPLETE-REQUIRING A FOLLOW-UP VISIT ON 8TH
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OCTOBER;

(F) HE ACKNOWLEDGED THAT I MUST CONDUCT THE REVIEW IN A FULLY PROFESSIONAL MANNER BUT URGED THAT I LOOK FOR MEASURS WHICH, IF ACCEPTED FOR IMPLEMENTATION AND INDEED IMPLEMENTED BY THE PORTUGUESE AUTHORITIES WOULD PERMIT THE SECRETARY GENERAL TO ALLOW BOTH TRANSMISSION OF NATO CLASSIFIED INFORMATION TO PORTUGAL AND ITS PARTICIPATION IN THE NPG IN NOVEMBER. HE GUESSED THAT EVEN IF REASONABLY CORRECTIVE MMEASURES COULD BE DESIGNED BY THE TEAM AND ADOPTED BY THE PORTUGUESE, THE UNITED STATES MIGHT REDUCE ITS INPUT TO THE NPG AND OTHER SENSITIVE NATO BODIES. HE SAID HE FEARED THE CONSEQUENCES OF SUCH ACTION BY THE UNITED STATES.

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6. I HAVE DECIDED TO GO TO PORTUGAL 26 SEPTEMBER, TAKING MY TEAM, COL SIBILLE (ITALIAN ARMY - HEAD OF MY INSPECTION SECTION), AND MR. GEORGI (U.S. CONSULTANT TO MY OFFICE). I PLAN TO SPEND TWO DAYS WITH GENERAL COSTA GOMEZ, WEAVING IN TALKS WITH ADMIRAL ERLY, COMIBERLANT, AND APPROPRIATE U.S. EMBASSY OFFICIALS. I AM NOT SANGUINE THAT RUSH REVIEW CAN RESULT IN CONCLUSIVE RECOMMENDATIONS. JOHN V. ABIDIAN. END QUOTE.

(B) TERMS OF REFERENCE. BEGIN QUOTE. TO: DIRECTOR OF SECURITY IN THE LIGHT OF MY SG-74/392 DATED 7TH JULY, 1974, AND OF DC/74/326 DATED 16TH SEPTEMBER, 1974, I APPOINT YOU TO BE IN CHARGE OF THE NATO SECURITY TEAM WITH THE FOLLOWING TERMS OF REFERENCE:

(A) TO CONDUCT A REVIEW OF THE STATE OF SECURITY IN PORTUGAL AND, IF NECESSARY, ELSEWHERE, AS IT RELATED TO NATO, TO ASCERTAIN WHETHER NATO CLASSIFIED INFORMATION ENTRUSTED TO THE PORTUGUESE AUTHORITIES CAN, IN THE PRESENT CIRCUMSTANCES, BE PROTECTED STRICTLY IN ACCORDANCE WITH CURRENT NATO SECURITY REGULATIONS.

(B) TO SUBMIT DIRECT TO THE SECRETARY GENERAL OF NATO BY ----- A REPORT OF THE REVIEW TOGETHER WITH ANY RECOMMENDATIONS CONSIDERED NECESSARY TO ENSURE THE SECURITY OF SUCH SECRET

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INFORMATION.

2. IN CARRYING OUT YOUR TERMS OF REFERENCE YOU WILL MAINTAIN APPROPRIATE LIAISON WITH REPRESENTATIVES APPOINTED BY THE PORTUGUESE AUTHORITIES.

3. YOUR RECOMMENDATION REGARDING THE COMPOSITION OF THE SECURITY TEAM SHOULD BE SUBMITTED TO ME. JOSEPH M.A.H. LUNS 20TH SEPTEMBER 1974. END QUOTE.

2. COMMENT: MISSION WILL REPORT INSPECTION RESULTS, CONCLUSIONS, AND RECOMMENDATIONS AS THEY BECOME AVAILABLE. WE SUSPECT THAT PORTUGUESE SUDDEN EAGERNESS TO COMPLETE SECURITY SURVEY, AND HOPEFULLY ACQUIRE CLEAN BILL OF HEALTH, CONTAINS THE SEEDS FOR EARLY DISAGREEMENTS AT SENIOR POLITICAL LEVEL. IN TURN, THIS COULD BRING ABOUT A PORTUGAL-U.S. CONFRONTATION TO WHICH DEPSEC GEN ALLUDED (PARA 5 OF NOTE FOR FILE). MISSION SUGGESTS THAT WASHINGTON PREPARE GUIDANCE

FOR THIS CONTINGENCY.
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